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REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed December 15, 2004 in the above-referenced application, the Examiner put forth an election requirement between the following species of the claimed invention:

- a. Embodiment I shown in Figures 1 – 3.
- b. Embodiment II shown in Figures 4 - 7.
- c. Embodiment III shown in Figures 9 - 10.
- d. Embodiment IV shown in Figure 13.
- e. Embodiment V shown in Figures 14.
- f. Embodiment VI shown in Figures 15.
- g. Embodiment VII shown in Figures 16 and 17.
- h. Embodiment VIII shown in Figures 19.
- i. Embodiment IX shown in Figures 20.
- j. Embodiment X shown in Figures 21.
- k. Embodiment XI shown in Figures 22.

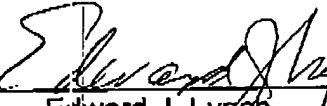
If applicable to the elected embodiment, the Examiner further requires an election to one of Embodiment A shown in Figure 11 or Embodiment B shown in Figure 12.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute claims 32, 51, 53, 56 and 61-68 which are directed to the species of Embodiment VII shown in Figures 16 and 17. Claims 65-68 read on the species and claim 65 is generic.

The applicants believe that the pending claims are directed to patentable subject matter. Consideration and an early allowance are earnestly solicited.

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